

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER G-13-085

Open Burning of Nonindustrial Wood Waste at Designated Sites Pursuant to
Health and Safety Code Section 41804.5

Groveland Transfer Station

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code, section 41800 prohibits the use of open outdoor fires for the purpose of disposal or burning of petroleum wastes, demolition debris, tires, tar, trees, wood waste, or other combustible or flammable solid or liquid waste, or for metal salvage or burning of motor vehicle bodies;

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code, section 41804.5 allows the Air Resources Board (ARB) to authorize, subject to the limitations in section 41803, the use of open outdoor fires by a city or county at a designated site to dispose of nonindustrial wood waste from trees, vines, and brush at disposal sites located above 1,500 feet elevation mean sea level anywhere in the state, or any elevation in the area designated as the North Coast Air Basin by ARB pursuant to section 39606, provided that the burning shall occur only on permissive agricultural burn days;

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code, section 41803 states that no authorization under section 41804.5 shall be granted after such date that ARB may determine, based upon a finding, that an alternative method of disposal has been developed which is technologically and economically feasible;

WHEREAS, ARB to date has neither determined nor made a finding that an alternative method of disposal has been developed which is technologically and economically feasible;

WHEREAS, Tuolumne County Air Pollution Control District has submitted an application to ARB for approval to burn nonindustrial wood waste at a designated site;

WHEREAS, ARB staff has reviewed the application and found that Tuolumne County Air Pollution Control District has supplied all information required by ARB and that the submitted proposal is in compliance with State law;

WHEREAS, open outdoor fires to dispose of nonindustrial wood waste from trees, vines, and brush will not prevent the attainment or maintenance of ambient air quality standards if confined to the period when such standards are not expected to be exceeded; and

WHEREAS, the ambient air quality standards are not expected to be exceeded under the conditions set forth in Condition 2 of this Executive Order.

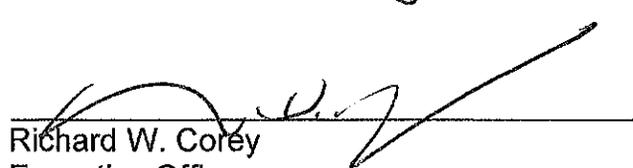
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, that the Executive Officer hereby approves the Tuolumne County Air Pollution Control District application to burn nonindustrial wood waste at the Groveland Transfer Station, subject to the following conditions:

1. Burning shall only take place on permissive burn days from October through April.
2. No more than the quantities listed in Table 1 shall be burned each month:

Month	Allowable Burn Quantity	Month	Allowable Burn Quantity
October	4000 lbs.	November	3000 lbs.
December	3000 lbs.	January	3000 lbs.
February	3000 lbs.	March	4000 lbs.
April	4000 lbs.		

3. The burning shall not create a nuisance.
4. Any complaints received by the Tuolumne County Air Pollution Control District, the Tuolumne County Solid Waste Division, or its contractor will be recorded and kept in a log book.
5. Authorization to burn shall be in the form of permits obtained from the local fire protection agency and from the Tuolumne County Air Pollution Control District.
6. Prior to and during each burn, inspections shall be made by the Tuolumne County Air Pollution District at the site to verify that exclusively nonindustrial wood waste is burned, the burn pile is relatively free of soil, and the material is stacked in such a way so as to enhance combustion and promote a hot fire.
7. This Executive Order shall terminate upon a determination by ARB that an alternative method of disposal has been developed which is technologically and economically feasible, or five years after the date this Executive Order is signed, whichever occurs first.

Executed at Sacramento, California, this 9th day of January 2014.


Richard W. Corey
Executive Officer